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		LUBRICATING OIL COMPOSITION FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION	
		ENGINE	

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
(RCE)

This is in response to the final Office Action dated October 31, 2007 (Paper No. 20071022) in the above-identified patent application. This response is being timely filed by February 29, 2008 in view of a Petition for Extension of Time (one-month) being simultaneously filed with this response. Further, the finality of the present Office Action has been removed in view of the simultaneous filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows: